

2024 Ashland County Market Hog Project Requirements

Revised 2/24

Reminders for 2024

- NEW: All market hog exhibitors will be required to attend one of the two educational meetings.
- All hogs must have an 840 EID ear tag. See below for more details.
- All market animals must be identified under the member's profile in 4Honline by June 1.
- Ashland County Born and Raised form must be uploaded in 4Honline by June 1.
- The Ashland County Junior Fair market hog show is a PARTIAL terminal show which means only the Grand and Reserve Overall Hogs are required to be slaughtered.

Possession Date

- All livestock projects must be in the care and possession of the 4-H/FFA member by June 1 of the current year and remain there until marketed.
- Ideal starting weight for hogs on June 1 is 40-70 pounds. Select a hog that in this weight range.
- Market Hogs must be identified by 840 EID ear tags. If your hog comes from the breeder with an 840 EID tag, use this tag for identification in 4Honline. If you buy a hog without an 840 EID tag, one will be provided by the Extension Office for you to tag your hog. 4-H/FFA Members are responsible for tagging and officially recording their market hog project under their profile in 4Honline https://v2.4honline.com/ by June 1. You must enter the entire EID number in 4honline in order for the number to match the scanner during check in at fair. NEVER REMOVE AN 840 EID TAG—IT IS AGAINST THE LAW TO REMOVE ONE. If your hog has an 840 EID ear tag in when you purchase it, leave it in and use this tag for your identification number. DO NOT put a second ear tag in your hog.

840 EID TAG



- Any Identification tag lost must be reported to the Extension Office within 24 hours. Hogs must be retagged with a new 840 EID tag and new pictures with new ID tag number uploaded into the member's 4Honline profile or they become ineligible for Fair show or sale.
- Each Exhibitor may tag up to 4 hogs by June 1. However, **only one** hog per exhibitor may be brought to the County Fair.
- Market hog projects may be barrows or gilts.

Ashland County Born & Raised Market Hog Class

The Sheep & Swine Committee is offering a class for market hogs born and raised in Ashland County. The nomination form must be signed by the breeder and must be uploaded in the member's 4Honline profile by June 1. Nomination forms are available at the Ext. Office or on our website at: https://ashland.osu.edu/sites/ashland/files/imce/Swine%20born%20and%20raised2022.pdf
For more information on this class, please contact a Committee member.





Family Hog

- Families may tag a "family hog/hogs" for the number of exhibitors in the household. A family hog can be used as the member's project animal should that member's original project be unfit to show. Animals unfit to show must be verified by a licensed Veterinarian. There is a maximum of 4 market hogs per exhibitor that may be tagged.
- The family situation, if different from mother/father/children living under one roof, must be reviewed and agreed upon by the Committee prior to the registration of the animal.
- As defined by the ORC 901-19 Each child in the approved family must identify their primary hog(s) and the "family hog/hogs" in their 4Honline profile.
- Notify the Committee clerk when unloading at the fair which child, if any, is using the family hog

Required to Complete Project/Show/Sell at Fair

- 1. Must be a 4-H member in good standing enrolled in #139 Market Hog or a FFA member with a market hog project. 4-H members can enroll and projects can be registered at https://v2.4honline.com/. Deadline to enroll in 4-H and be eligible to show at fair is April 15.
- 2. **Members must enter and identify the animal under their profile in 4Honline by June 1**. Must be able to view the 840 EID tag in at least one of your pictures. We understand we may not be able to read the numbers.
- 3. All participants bringing a living, breathing animal to the fair must complete Quality Assurance Training by June 1. QA training will be offered by Ashland County. Other trainings may be accepted but contact the Extension office to find out for sure if they qualify. Proof of QA attendance must be provided to the Extension Office by June 1.
- 4. All market hog exhibitors will be required to **attend one of the two educational meetings** on May 5 at 5pm or on June 18 at 6:30pm. Both will be held at the Fairgrounds.
- 5. **Must complete Interview Judging.** Members will be evaluated using a rubric grade sheet and earn a superior, excellent, good or needs improvement grade as their performance dictates. Satisfactory completion of the project record book will be a large part of this grade. You must bring current, up to date records for this year's project to judging.
- 6. **Members must participate in the Ashland County Swine Skill-a-thon**. Participation in the Ohio State Fair Swine Skill-a-thon will meet this requirement.
- 7. Must make an accurate Junior Fair Entry online through the Junior Fair office by August 9.

Junior Fair

- 1. The Ashland County Junior Fair market hog show is a partial terminal show, which means that only the Grand and Reserve Overall hogs must be slaughtered.
- 2. Hogs weighing under 210 pounds and over 285 pounds may show, but are not eligible for championship classes **and are not eligible to sell i**n the Junior Fair Livestock Sale.





For additional Ashland County Fair information, requirements, and rules, refer to:

- 2024 Ashland County Junior Fair Book
- State Livestock Tampering Exhibition Rules https://codes.ohio.gov/ohio-administrative-code/ chapter-901

Any questions pertaining to project guidelines or materials should be taken to your 4-H club advisor. If there are still questions, please contact a committee member below or the Ext. Office at 419-281-8242.

Please contact a Sheep & Swine committee member if you need assistance or have questions.

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